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Last week in Vice President Neal's Events Committee Meeting our liaison from the County Office of Education, Dr. Jose Rivera was our guest. We had an informal discussion concerning abuse issues. He informed us that everything that can be done is being done to prevent situations from occurring. New hires go through many forms of investigation procedures, one of which is the CA State Office of Teacher Credentialing which has a vigorous screening process in place. Vice President Neal has invited him to be a guest on the 'Disability Network' our radio show. I am sure that she will be adding more information in her report.

I also understand that applications for the Bernard Siegel/Bill Tainter Scholarships are not materializing as they should, which is very disturbing to me, as I feel with the way the economy is that people should be seeking more and more assistance to enter schools to increase employability. I was talking to my Brother Bill, who is retired now, but he was the Media Specialist for LATTC for many years and he suggested that we add more pictures and captions to the front page of our web page and to ask the web master to seek a better rating of the page to gain more visibility.

Tomorrow I will LA Trade Tech's DSP&S's Advisory Meeting, so I will have an opportunity to make an announcement about the Scholarship Program and that we are seeking applicants, the two radio programs and seeking Commissioners to represent the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing spot and also the spot for someone who has been deaf before the age of 3.